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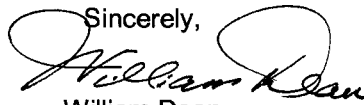
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Dear Air Board:

The Potomac River Generating Station is absolutely an important part of our community. I am sure that Mirant has felt pressure from the community to do their part to ensure that our air quality is the best it can be, under the circumstances of our exploding population. With that in mind, it's great that a solution such a stack merge would be paid for by Mirant. It is surprising to me that anyone would have a problem with this.

In the 45 years that I have lived in this area, I have watched the traffic and congestion grow. Through it all, the power plant has kept chugging along and performing updates as necessary to keep up with changes for the sake of the environment. Now that they are trying to make another change in the best interests of the community, it is a mystery why some people are loudly trying to prevent this. It is my hope that a few people with some influence and private agendas will not succeed in jeopardizing the future of our power supply.

Keeping power flowing through the grid is the only way we will keep up with the increased energy needs of our growing population. Taking measures to block the ability of the power plant to serve its purpose will only hurt us in the end. Please have the foresight to allow the Potomac River Generating Station to continue serving the community in the most healthful possible manner.

Sincerely,

William Dean